



Docket No.: 1509-428

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	
Bruno RICHARD et al.	:	Confirmation No. 9161
Application No. 10/620,772	:	Group Art Unit: 2153
Filed: July 17, 2003	:	
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated October 20, 2003 for four months from December 20, 2003 to April 20, 2004.

A credit card authorization form to cover the cost of the extension is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 07-1337.

Respectfully submitted,

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